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In re application of:

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Vascular Endothelial Growth  
Factor 3 Polypeptides and  
Methods for Producing the  
Polypeptides**

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**Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated May 22, 1998, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 20), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. As a reply was due in the Patent and Trademark Office on August 22, 1998, enclosed is a Petition for an Extension of Time.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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